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REMARKS

Applicants sincerely thank the Examiner for the courtesy he extended to the Applicants' representative during the personal interview of August 27, 2003. A summary of the interview is provided herein.

Applicants respond below to the specific rejections and objections raised by the Examiner in the Office Action of July 10, 2003.

I. Interview Summary

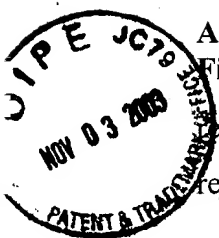
On August 27, 2003, Dr. Sudhaker Patel, the Examiner assigned to the captioned case, met with Applicants' representative, Sam K. Tahmassebi (Reg. No. 45,151). During the personal interview, the pending claims were discussed in view of the cited art. The Examiner reiterated his statements set forth in the Office Action of July 15th that the term "organyl" in the claims may encompass the substituents that appear in the cited chemical compounds. Applicants' representative cited sections of the specification in which the term "organyl," and other such terms, are explicitly defined. Applicants' representative submitted that the claim terms, as defined in the specification, do not embrace the substituents and compounds cited by the Examiner. The Examiner asked Applicants' representative to make the references to the specification explicit in the response to the Office Action. Such response, the Examiner noted, would be favorably considered.

II. Rejections based on Chemical Abstract DN 133:296372

Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 8, 9, 11-13, and 14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) for allegedly being anticipated by the compounds disclosed in Chemical Abstract DN 133:296372. The Examiner has implied that the methylpyrrolidinyl substituent on the piperidinyl moiety of the compounds of the cited reference fall under the "straight-chained acyclic organyl group" limitation in the definition of "R" in the instant claims.

Applicants respectfully traverse. The specification at page 9, lines 26-33, defines the term "straight-chained acyclic organyl group." This definition does not encompass straight-chained alkyl groups that are substituted by heterocyclic groups, such as pyrrolidine.

Since at least one of the limitations of the present claims is not met by the disclosure of the cited reference, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are not anticipated by the



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reference. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection.

III. Rejections based on Chemical Abstract DN 127:358860

Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 8, 9, 11-13, and 14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) for allegedly being anticipated by the compounds disclosed in Chemical Abstract DN 127:358860. The Examiner has implied that the phenyl substituent on the piperidinyl moiety of the compounds of the cited reference fall under the "cyclic organyl group" limitation in the definition of "R" in the instant claims.

Applicants respectfully traverse. The specification at page 9, lines 20-25, defines the term "cyclic organyl group" as "aliphatic, alicyclic groups in which carbon atoms form a ring." This definition does not encompass aryl groups in general, and phenyl groups specifically.

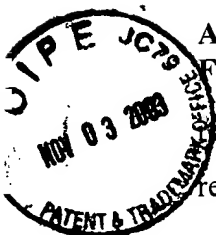
Since at least one of the limitations of the present claims is not met by the disclosure of the cited reference, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are not anticipated by the reference. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the rejection.

IV. Rejections based on Chemical Abstract DN 120:106792

Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 8, 9, 11-13, and 14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) for allegedly being anticipated by the compounds disclosed in Chemical Abstract DN 120:106792. The Examiner has implied that the 7-chloro-4-quinolinyl-aminophenyl moiety of the compounds of the cited reference fall under the definition of "Ar₁" in the instant claims.

Applicants respectfully traverse. The claims recite that Ar₁ may be a "substituted aryl." The specification at page 11, lines 8-19, defines the term "aryl group." This definition includes a list of potential substituents for the aryl group, which comprises amino and lower alkylamino. The phenyl groups of the cited reference are substituted with a heteroaryl amino group, which is neither "amino" nor "lower alkylamino." Thus, the phenyl groups of the cited reference are substituted by a substituent that is not encompassed by the definition of "aryl group," as that term is defined in the specification.

Since at least one of the limitations of the present claims is not met by the disclosure of the cited reference, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are not anticipated by the



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CONCLUSION

Applicants have endeavored to respond to all of the Examiners comments and rejections. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are patentable and should be passed to issue. A notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Applicants have enclosed herewith a check for \$110 for a one month extension of time fee. If this is not correct, please charge any additional fees, including any fees for extension of time, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 11-1410. The Examiner is invited to call Applicant's representative at the number listed below if any issues can be resolved telephonically.

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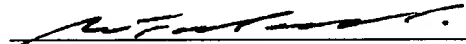
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Respectfully submitted,

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